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THE ARCHWAY, LARK STOKE MANOR HOUSE.

From a photograph.

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GENEALOGY.

THE BRENT FAMILY.

Complied by W. B. CHILTON, Washington, D. C.

(CONTINUED.)

Ancar Brent of Little Wolford, will dated 17 May, 1598, will proved 26 July, 1598, mentioned as cousin by William Brent in his will dated 1591, and as kinsman by Nicholas Brent in his will dated 1582; executor to Ancar Brent was his brother Roger Brent who was also executor to his cousin, William Brent, 1591; the wife of Ancar Brent, as mentioned in his will was Elizabeth ———. They had issue: 1. Marie Brent, eldest daughter; 2. Elizabeth Brent, second daughter; 3. Susannah Brent (all mentioned in father's will); 4. Ancar Brent, in father's will; 5. daughter, ——— Brent, married Davis; 6. Elizabeth Brent, married at Quinton 7 Feb., 1608, William Leving; 7. Margaret Brent of London, will dated 13 May, 1609, buried at St. Andrews-in-the-Wardrobe, mentioned in father's will; 8. John Brent, second son in father's will; 9. Ezechias Brent, fourth son in father's will, married Ann ———; 10. Richard Brent, sixth son in father's will; 11. Sir Nathaniel Brent, L. L. D. Knt, fifth son in father's will; will dated 4 November, 1652, will proved 29 April, 1653, born about 1574, married *Martha Abbott*; 12. William Brent of Wolford Parva, county Warwick, in father's will, died unmarried. Administration 15 March, 1633, eldest son.

Issue of Sir Nathaniel and *Martha* (*Abbott*) Brent: 1. daughter *Margaret*, married Dr. Edward Corbett; 2. Ann Brent in father's will, under sixteen in 1652; 3. Nathaniel Brent, younger son in father's will, under sixteen in 1652; 4. Bazil Brent, eldest son in father's will, married about 1650 Elizabeth Bennett, will proved 4 September, 1695, mentions daughter Elizabeth Reynell and son-in-law Henry Reynell, wife Joyce, grandson Brent Reynell and the two sisters of the latter Elizabeth and Katherine Reynell.

WILL OF WILLIAM BRENT, LATE OF ADMINGTON, COUNTY GLOUCESTER, ESQR., DATED 1591.

I will that my body shall be buried in the Parish Church of Ilmyngton, county Warwick. I bequeath to the repair of the church of Ilmyngton aforesaid 20s. and to the church of Quainton, county Gloucester, 20s.; to the poor of Ilmyngton & Quainton, 80s. I give to my nephews George Croftes & Thos. Croftes, my late sister Croftes sons, 20*li* apiece. To my nephew John Brent, my brother Thomas Brent's son, 5*li*. To William Brente, William Brent (*sic*) and William Brente, my late

brother Nicholas Brente's sons, 10*li* apiece. To Elizabeth Brent, daughter of my said brother Nicholas, 10*li*. To my nieces, Elizabeth, Joane & Agnes, daughters of my brother Thomas Brente, 40s. apiece. To my niece Margerye Hyett, 5*li*. To my nieces Cicelie Chettle* and Katherine Croftes, 40s. apiece. To my sister Helen, 5*li*. To Ursula Freeman, widow, 40s. in full satisfaction of all I have promised to her or to her late husband John Freeman.

To Humfrey Pynee, my wellwiller, 40s. To Mr. Henry Horneby of Quaynton, 4*li*; and to William Milles, my servant, 40s ; to Fortune Brente als Porter, daughter of Mrs. Anne Porter, 20*li*; to my late servant, Thomas Lawrence, 40s.; to William Austen, my servant, 30*li*; to Humanitas Jackson, my servant, 20*li*; & to Hugh Elcocke, my servant, 3*li*; and to every other of my servants 6s. 8d. apiece. I bequeath to my very loving nephew,† Richard Brente, son & heir of my late son & heir apparent, Richard Brent, deceased, all the wainscot, furniture, etc. in my now dwelling house at Admington, to be delivered him at twenty-one, and to remain in my said house as standerts or Earlomes. And I will that there shall be provided a large iron chest with three locks & keys for the keeping of all the evidences concerning my manors of Admington & Larke Stooke, and all other writings in my possession at my death; the said chest to remain at Admyngton & be delivered to my heir & nephew, Richard Brent at twenty-one; one of the keys to be in the custody of Mr. John Higforde, of Henwood, or my daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mary Brent; the other in custody of my son-in-law, John Hawthen, and the third in the keeping of my cousin, Anker Brent, & neither shall open the said chest without the presence of the other.

And as concerning my manors, messuages, lands, etc., I leave to the aforesaid Richard Brent, son and heir of my said son Richard Brent, one-third of my manor of Admington als adilington, county Gloucester; also one-third of my manor of Larke Stooke, county Gloucester, and one-third of all my messuages, tenements, lands, etc., & other my hereditaments in Admington & Stooke aforesaid, being the full third part of all the manors, messuages, etc., of which I or any to my use are seised of any estate of inheritance or freehold in the Realm of England. I bequeath to my executors the other two-thirds of my manors of Admington & Stooke, &c., & my messuages, etc., with their appurtenances in Admington & Larke Stooke, for the term of eleven years towards the payment of my debts and legacies.

All the residue of my plate, ready money, etc., I bequeath to my beloved son-in-law, John Hawthen, and to my very loving cousins;

* Henry Chettle was the editor of a pamphlet written by Robert Greene the playwright and published after his death. In this was an attack on Shakespeare, for the publication of which although of course not directly responsible, Chettle afterwards in the "Kind Hearts Dream" promptly and amply apologized.

† This is a curious use of the word nephew in its original sense meaning a grandson.

Anker Brent, Roger Brent, and William Brent of Chippinge Campden, whom I do ordain my executors of this my last will, to the intent that my said executors shall with the said plate, ready money, etc., and two-thirds of my manors, messuages, etc., pay my debts, funeral, legacies & perform my last will; and I bequeath to each of my executors 10*li* apiece.

And I will and request my friends John Huggeforde of Henwood, county Warwick, & Thomas Andrews of Longdon, county Worcester, Esquires, to be overseers of this my will, to see it performed, and to take upon them a special care that all such annuities & yearly rents which I have before granted to the wife & children of my late son Richard Brent, and to my daughter, Elizabeth Hawthen and her children, be well & truly satisfied; and I do give to each of them a gold ring, of the value of 6*li* 13s. 4d. apiece.

Signed and sealed in the presence of Fardinands Patton, Christofer Whood & Anker Brent, William Brent.

A Codial to be added to the last will of William Brente, deceased. I give and bequeath to Walter Rose of Ilmington, county Warwick, one annuity of 20s.

Proved 10 November, 1597, by the oath of Alexander Serle, Notary Public, Procurator of Ancar Brent & Roger Brent; the executors named, to whom administration was granted, power being reserved of granting the same to John Hawthen & William Brent, Executors, when they should come and apply, etc.

(P. C. C. Admon. Act Book 1572-1580 fo. 18.)

JOHN BRENT.

24 Nov., 1572, commission issued to William Brent, brother of John Brent late of Camdene, county Gloucester, deceased (dying in the diocese of Worcester), to administer the goods, &c., of the said deceased, in the person of Philip Morgan, notary public, his proctor in that behalf.

(P. C. C. Rowe 8.)

THE WILL OF NICHOLAS BRENT of Stow upon the olde [Wold], in the diocese of Gloucester, dated 22 Oct., 1582. Proved 11 Feb., 1582-3.

I give to the poor people of Stowe, 10s. To the reparations of the Cathedral Church of Gloucester, 12d. Towards the mending of the common well of Stowe, 3s. 4d. Towards the reparations of the church of Stowe, 12d. To every one of my godchildren, 12d. To Thomas Daniell, my old servant, 6s. To Robert, my old sheppard at Slawter, 5s. To the children of Thomas Blowen equally amongst them, 2s. To William Brente, my eldest son, if he live to accomplish his age of twenty

years, 30*li*. To William Brent, my second son, 30*li*; and to *William Brent my third son, 40*li* at their like ages. To Elizabeth, my daughter, 40*li* at her age of 20.

The said sums of money shall remain meanwhile in the occupation of my wife Elizabeth who shall give bonds to my overseers. The residue of all my goods I give to my said wife whom I make my executrix; and I request my brother Mr. William Brent and my kinsman Ancar Brente & William Crafts to be overseers of my will.

Ancar Brent, William Craftes, Witnesses.

Proved 11 Feb., 1682-3, by Robert Say, notary public, proctor for the executrix named.

(P. C. C. Admon. Act Book 1587-1591, fo. 37.)

RICHARD BRENT.

27 Oct., 1587, commission issued to Mary Brent relict of Richard Brent, late of Pershall End in the parish of Berkeswell, county Warwick, gent, deceased, to administer the goods, &c, of the said deceased, in the person of Peter Johnson, notary public, her proctor in that behalf.

(P. C. C. Lewyn 66).

THE WILL OF ANKER BRENTE the elder of Little Wolford, county Warwick, dated 17 May, 1598.

I give to the reparation of the church of Great Wolford, 6s. 8d. To the poor of Little Wolford, 6s. 8d. To John Brent, my second son, 150*li*. To Anker Brent my third son, 150*li*. To Ezachias, my 4th son, 150*li*; and my said sons, and Anne, wife of the said Ezachias, shall have their meat with my ex'or till the said sums be paid. To Nathaniel Brent, my fifth son, 150*li*. To Marie Brent, my eldest daughter, 200*li*. To Elizabeth Brent, my second daughter, 200*li*. To my daughters Susanna and Margaret Brent, 200*li* apiece. To Richard Brent, my sixth son, 150*li*. If my wife Elizabeth Brent will give up her right in the farm of the demesne lands of Little Wolford, I bequeath her 200*li*, and she shall have a chamber at her choice in my farm of Little Wolford. All the residue of my goods I give to my eldest son William Brent, whom I make my ex'or. Overseers, my brother Mr. Roger Brente, and Mr. Edward Ockley, and in case of any dispute I desire them to advise with Mr. Rafe Sheldone, Esquire.

By me Anker Brente, the testator (not witnessed).

Proved 26 July, 1598, by Alexander Serle, proctor for the ex'or named.

NOTE.—Anker (or Ancar) Brent was the son of Richard Brent who

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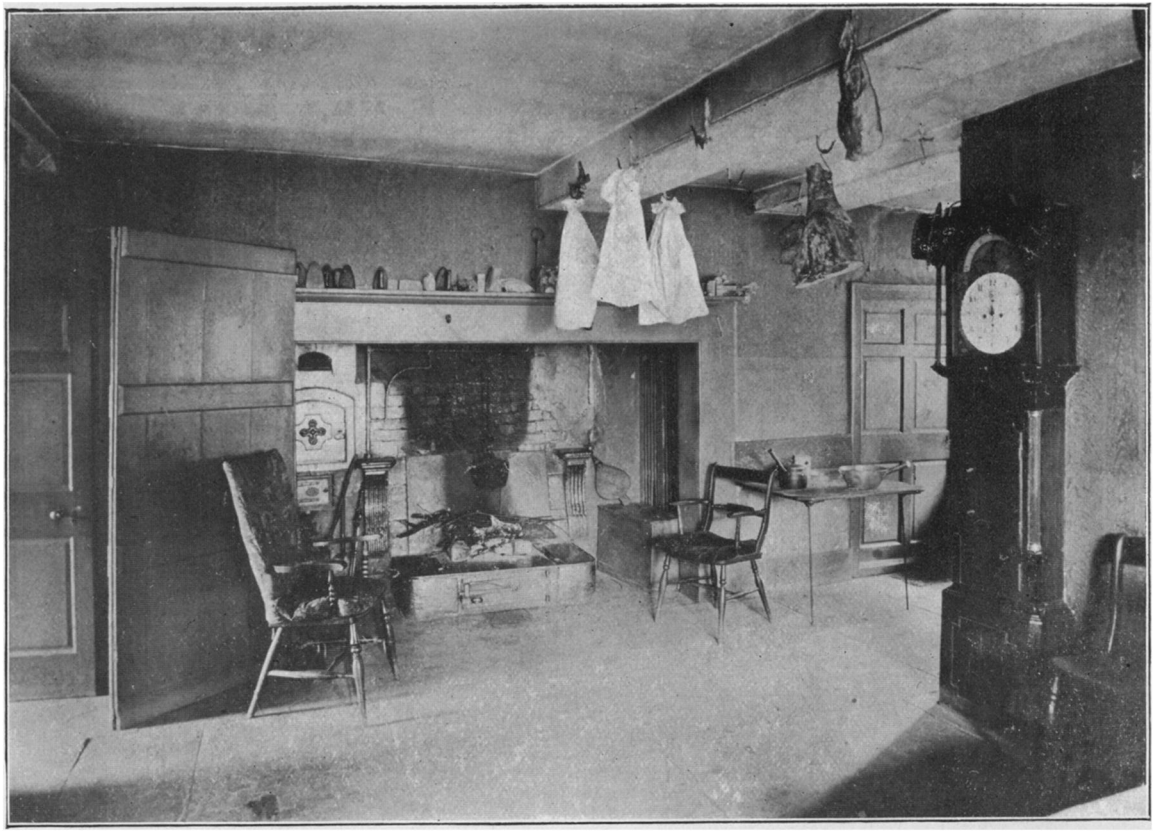
* The occurrence of three sons of the same name is curious.



THE KITCHEN, LARK STOKE MANOR HOUSE.

From a photograph.

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was the son of John Brent of Gossington, who died in 1524. As shown by the preceding wills of William Brent and Nicholas Brent, he was their cousin. Anker Brent was the father of Sir Nathaniel Brent, Warden of Merton College, Oxford.

WILL OF MARGARET BRENT, OF LONDON, SPINSTER, DATED 13 MAY, 1609.

I desire to be buried in the parish church of St. Andrew in the Wardrobe, London. I give to my godson, Henry Adam, 35*li*. To my brother, *William Brent*, 40s. To my cousin, William Adams, 10*li*. To my cousin, Henry Pratt, 20s. To *Richard Brent*, the younger, 10*li*. To my sister Leven's daughter, 10*li*. To my sister Davis' two daughters 10*li* apiece. To Mr. Morreys and Mr. Conquest, 5s. apiece. To Bridget Tiso & John Gise, 10*li* apiece. To the children of my brother, *John Brent*, Esq., 15*li* between them. To the children of my brother, *Ezechias Brent*, 10*li* between them. To Mrs. Elizabeth Woodford & Anne Cherrington, 20s. apiece for a ring. To Mrs. Hall, 20s. for a ring, and my black mourning gown amongst my other things at court. To *my mother*, 40s. & my needlework cushion. To my brother, *Nathaniel Brent* 20s. for a ring. To Mr. John Rhodes, minister of St. Brides for his pains, 20s. To Robert Pale, one of My Lady Fenton's chamber, 10s. To the poor of St. Andrews aforesaid, 20s. Residuary Legatees & Executors: My brother, *Richard Brent*, of London, Clothworker, & Suzanna Adams, London. Widow.

(Signed) *Margaret Brente.*

Witnesses: John Rhodes, Minister, & Curate of S. Brides, London, William Stafford, Mary Cooper her mark, Ellen Hanle, her mark.

Proved 22 May, by the executors named.

NOTE.—Margaret Brent, the testator of the foregoing will, was the daughter of Anker Brent.

(P. C. C. Admon, Act Book 1611-1614, fo. 132).

FERDINAND BRENT.

8 Jan., 1613-4, commission issued to Elizabeth Brent, relict of Ferdinand Brent, late of Whichford, county Warwick, deceased, to administer the goods, &c., of the said deceased.

WILL OF MARY BRENT, OF HUBBERHILL, CO. GLOUCESTER, WIDOW, DATED 9 AUGUST, 1630.

I give to the poor of Illmington and Queynton, 40*s*. to each parish.

To my son *Richard Brent* Esq. 80*li*. and 40*li* more which my son-in-law, Mr. John Fowke owes me, and my great silver salt, etc.

To the daughters of my daughter, Margaret Fowke, living at the

death of the surviver of my said daughter and my daughter Colborne, excepting only Mary Fowke, the now eldest daughter of my daughter Margaret, 100*li* to be then distributed, the interest thereof, *i.e.* 8*li* per annum, in the meantime to be paid 5*li* to my daughter Margaret Fowke, & 3*li* to my daughter Colborne, & so to be paid until the death of one of them, the residue then to be employed for the use of the daughters of my daughter Margaret, except her daughter Mary. And if the said daughters die before the said 100*li* is due, it shall remain to John Fowke & Roger Fowke, two of the sons of my daughter Fowke, to be equally divided.

I give to my daughter Colborne, 10*li*, my little silver candle, etc. To my daughter, Fowke, 10*li*, my silver tankard, etc. To my daughter, Chadwell, 10*li*, and my gilt casting bottle, etc. and I bequeath to my executors 25*li*, in trust, to pay her the interest thereof for life; 12*li* thereof to be paid after her death to the sons of my daughter Chadwell, & the other 13*li* I give to my executors.

I give to my daughter Catesby, a silver cup, etc. To my godson, *Foulke Brent* my greatest silver bowl. To my goddaughter, *Mary Brent*, my silver sugar box, etc. To my grandchild, *Katherine Brent*, my silver grater, etc. To my grandchild, *Margaret Brent*, my little silver gilt bowl, & the cabinet my sister Reed gave me.

Other bequests of silver, etc., follows to my grandchildren *Elizabeth Brent*, *Ellinor Brent*, *Anne Brent*, *Jane Brent*, *Richard Brent* of Stooke & his wife, *Gyles Brent*, *William Brent*, *Edward Brent*, *George Brent:* to my nephew Richard Catesbie and his wife and to their daughter; to Mary Elizabeth & Anne Chadwell, daughter of my daughter Chadwell, to my son Catesbie, my son Chadwell, & my son Fowke; to my goddaughters, Marie, Margaret & Katherine Fowke: to my grandchildren John & Roger Fowke; to every of my son Chadwell's four sons; to my grandchild William Hooper, to my friend Mr. Hornebie, Vicar of Queynton.

Residuary Legatees & Executors: my son, *Richard Brent* and *Foulke Brent*, his son and heir apparent.

Overseer: my friend, Mr. Richard Reed, my son Richard's brother-in-law, to whom I give one of my little silver plates for his pains.

(Signed) *Mary Brent.*

Witnesses, Richard Reed, *Margaret Brent*, *Edward Brent.*

Proved. 5 December, 1632, by *Richard Brent*, son of the deceased, one of the executors named, power being reserves of granting administration also to the other executor, Foulke *Brent* when he should come and apply for the same.

NOTE.—Mary (Huggeford) Brent the maker of this will was the widow of Richard Brent, and the mother of Richard Brent, Sheriff of Gloucestershire, 1615. She was the grandmother of Giles, Foulke,

Margaret and Mary Brent, who emigrated to America, all of whom are mentioned. The George Brent mentioned, another grandson, was the father of George Brent of Woodstock, Stafford county, Virginia.

THE MALLORY FAMILY.

(CONTINUED.)

ROGER[13] MALLORY, son of Dr. Thomas[12] Mallory rector of Northenden, Cheshire, and of Eccleston, Lancaster, England, obtained a grant of land in Virginia in 1660. His uncle, the Rev. Philip Mallory, also willed to him all his plantations in Virginia. He settled in that part of New Kent county, Va., which later became King and Queen county and still later King William county.

He was a Justice of New Kent county in 1680, and as late as 1690 (Va. Magazine Jan., 1894, and April, 1899), and of King and Queen county in 1693 (see below) and had the title of Captain. On the 30th of April, 1688, he received by patent a grant of "2514 acres of land sittuate and being ye P'ish of St. John in ye county of New Kent on ye south side of Mattapony River * * * w'ch land was formerly granted to ye said Captain Rodger Mallory by pattent and in the late troubles casually lost and is due by and for ye transportation of fifty-one persons," &c.

On the 26th of April, 1698, Roger Mallory referred to as "gent," received by patent a grant of 300 acres "lying in King and Queen county aforesaid (but lately part of New Kent county)."

In 1704-5 Roger Mallory was a Justice of King William county. (Va. Magazine April, 1901).

NOTE.—Captain Roger Mallory was probably the son of Jane the first wife of Dr. Thomas Mallory, and if so was born between 1632 and 1638.

Dr. Mallory apparently did not leave Oxford till 1632, and his wife Jane died in 1638. Roger was therefore about 70 years of age in 1705, or less.

WILLIAM[14] MALLORY, son of Captain Roger Mallory, appears to have settled In Elizabeth City county, Va., as early as 1680. He married Ann Wythe, daughter of Thomas Wythe, gent., a justice of that county.

From the book of "Deeds and Wills, 1689-1699 Eliz. City county," page 115, it appears that Diana Moore, wife of John Moore of Gloster county, on the 27th of Nov., 1690, relinguishes quit claims, etc., her right, title, etc., to a certain tract of land in Elizabeth City county, to William Mallory which it appears her husband and Susannah Moore had "on the 16th of August, 1680, sold to the said William Mallory of Elizabeth City county."

On the same page appears the following: "Know all men by these presents that I Ann Malory, wife of Will'm Malory of ye said county of